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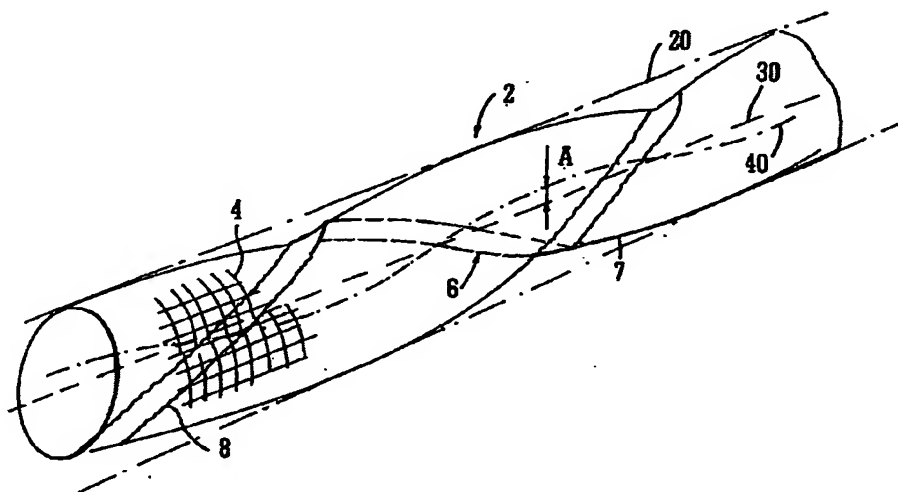
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(54) Title: **HELICAL STENT**



(57) Abstract: A stent (2) for insertion in a fluid conduit of the human or animal body when the stent is in a collapsed condition and for expansion to an expanded condition, the stent comprising an outer wall (7) for engagement with the conduit, the outer wall having a helical portion (6) which in the expanded condition extends longitudinally and circumferentially, and which, upon expansion of the stent from the collapsed condition to the expanded condition, resists extension.

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